SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Spartanburg 6 School District
Grades: PK-12 **Enrollment: 10,564**
Superintendent: Darryl Owings
Board Chair: Mr. Alex Meadows

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Excellent	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2010	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CDI
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	8	8	0	1

** Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.*

PASS

PASS	2011 Reading	2011 Math	2011 Science	2011 Social Studies	2011 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	74.6%	75.7%	68.8%	72.6%	71.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.8%	74.6%	70.3%	72.9%	74.1%
Average District	74.3%	73.6%	69.0%	73.0%	73.1%

PASS	2011 Reading	2011 Math	2011 Science	2011 Social Studies	2011 Writing
	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary
District	38.8%	38.2%	21.4%	31.6%	32.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	40.7%	34.8%	22.8%	31.3%	33.7%
Average District	40.4%	35.5%	23.3%	33.3%	33.7%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	85.8%	8.2%	6.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	79.7%	11.8%	8.5%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2011 (%)

District	93.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.0%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	71.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	67.0%

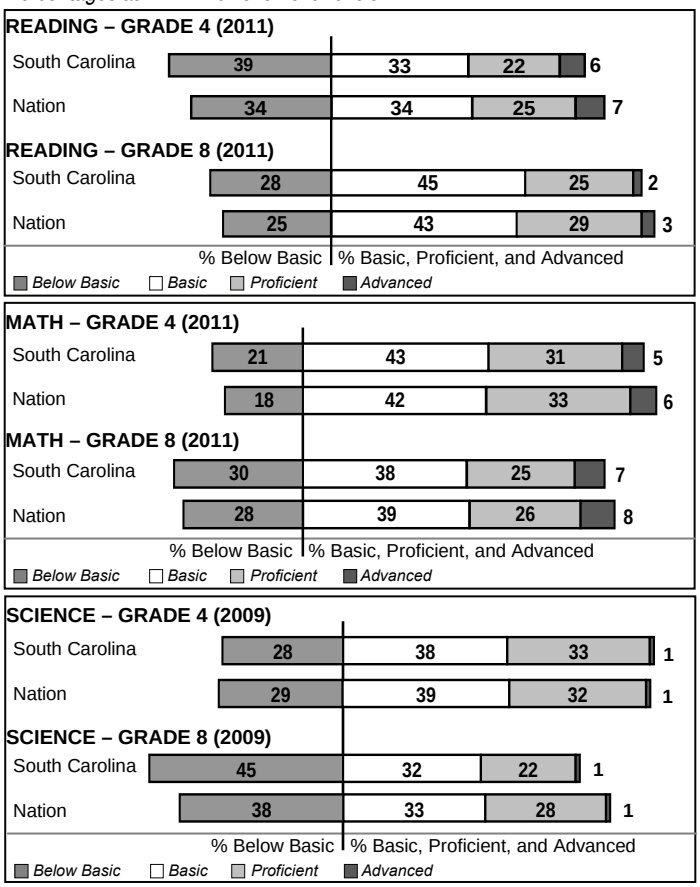
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	81.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.0%

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NAEP*

** Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.*



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=10,564)				
Retention rate	1.1%	No Change	2.1%	2.3%
Attendance rate	97.0%	No Change	95.7%	95.8%
Served by gifted and talented program	24.0%	Up from 23.2%	18.3%	14.0%
With disabilities other than speech	6.3%	Down from 9.9%	7.7%	7.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.3%	Down from 1.8%	2.4%	3.0%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Down from 1.1%	0.9%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	19.3%	Up from 18.9%	17.9%	12.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	73.2%	Down from 79.9%	47.3%	52.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.3%	Down from 30.7%	30.8%	30.3%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	42	Up from 36	80	66
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	24	Down from 35	43	35
Annual dropout rate	2.2%	Down from 2.4%	3.1%	2.8%
Teachers (n=670)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.6%	Up from 69.4%	61.4%	61.2%
Continuing contract teachers	86.3%	Up from 77.8%	88.0%	85.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.6%	Up from 91.0%	91.8%	90.3%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.9%	95.6%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	$47,634	Down 2.5%	$47,569	$46,166
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.8%	Down from 3.0%	1.0%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	9.1 days	Down from 11.9 days	11.5 days	12.2 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	9.0	Up from 8.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.8 to 1	Up from 21.7 to 1	22.2 to 1	21.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.5%	Up from 92.4%	90.6%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$8,655	Down 0.5%	$8,700	$9,140
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	58.8%	Up from 58.7%	55.3%	53.5%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.2%	Down from 61.5%	59.0%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	14	Up from 13	13	9
Portable classrooms	0.3%	Down from 1.2%	1.2%	1.4%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	13.0	No Change	12.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	85.2%	Down from 94.4%	96.0%	96.6%
Average administrator salary	N/A	N/A	$78,315	$78,000
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	94.6%		93.9%	93.1%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Spartanburg School District Six has reason to celebrate the 2010-2011 school year. We excelled despite the challenges of state-funding cuts and experienced a school year filled with accomplishments and success in the areas of academics, arts, and athletics. Please be sure to access each individual school's narrative for detailed accomplishments and awards.

This school year marks an amazing achievement for District Six and its many supporters. The District successfully completed a rigorous quality assurance review through AdvancED. This national and international accrediting agency provides schools and districts with a comprehensive external program review, supported by research based standards. The results of this comprehensive evaluation were extraordinary. The district and all of its schools earned full accreditation and received the highest rating possible in every area examined by AdvancED.

This in-depth accreditation process involved meeting the seven AdvancED standards of quality and meeting the following required criteria under each standard:

Vision and Purpose – The system establishes and communicates a shared purpose and direction for improving the performance of students and the effectiveness of the system.

Governance and Leadership – The system provides governance and leadership that promote student performance and system effectiveness.

Teaching and Learning – The system provides research-based curriculum and instructional methods that facilitate achievement for all students.

Documenting and Using Results – The system enacts a comprehensive assessment system that monitors and documents performance and uses these results to improve student performance and system effectiveness.

Resources and Support Systems – The system has the resources and services necessary to support its vision and purpose and to ensure achievement for all students.

Stakeholder Relationships and Communications – The system fosters effective communications and relationships with and among its stakeholders.

Commitment to Continuous Improvement – The system establishes, implements, and monitors a continuous process of improvement that focuses on student performance.

Out of four possible ratings of Not Evident, Evident, Operational, and Highly Functional, District Six received "highly functional" in every single standard. The AdvancED Team commended District Six on this extremely rare achievement. We are certainly proud of these remarkable results, officially recognizing our district as a quality leader in education. This was indeed a team effort, and we congratulate our teachers, staff, students, parents, community, and business partners on this outstanding accomplishment.

District Six is also very grateful for our nine-member Board of Trustees who give tirelessly of their time to ensure that policies and programs are in place that continue to strengthen this district and move us forward as we strive to always put children first.

Our students are among the brightest and most-talented children in the nation. We continue to create a college-going culture where every District Six student will graduate and enter post-secondary education or the workforce and live strong, successful lives.

As we continue to lay the foundation for success, we look forward to another productive and extraordinary school year.

Darryl Owings, Superintendent

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